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COMMENTS: **Informal/Draft Communication.** Proposed amendment for purposes of an interview regarding Application No. 10/621,424. Please refer to the following.

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Re: Application Serial No.: 10/621,424
Confirmation No.: 1747
Applicants: Richard W. McCracken, et al.
Title: Locking Bolt Work Apparatus For ATM
Docket No.: D-1223R

Sir:

Please find attached a Request for an interview with the Examiner and a Draft Proposed Amendment for purposes of the interview. Applicants reserve the right to file a formal Response to the Office Action dated August 17, 2004.

Very truly yours,



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Request for Interview

Applicants request an interview to discuss the attached proposed amendment to claims 30, 31, and 34. The proposed amendment is in response to the Office Action dated August 17, 2004. Applicants respectfully submit that entry of the proposed amendment would place the application in condition for allowance.

Proposed Amendments

30. (currently amended) The apparatus according to claim 1 further Apparatus comprising:

~~a locking bolt work apparatus enabling selective securing of a door, including:~~

~~an elongated locking bolt movably mounted relative to a door, the locking bolt movable between extended and retracted positions;~~

~~a drive cam rotatably mounted in supporting connection with the door adjacent to a first end portion of the locking bolt;~~

~~an idler cam rotatably mounted in supporting connection with the door adjacent to a second end portion of the locking bolt;~~

~~a cam link operatively extending between the drive cam and the idler cam;~~

~~a first bolt link operatively extending between the drive cam and the locking bolt;~~

~~a second bolt link operatively extending between the idler cam and the locking bolt;~~

~~wherein rotational movement of the drive cam between a first position and a second position moves the locking bolt between the extended position and the retracted position, respectively;~~

a door handle assembly, including:

a sleeve,

wherein the sleeve is attached to the door adjacent a door hole,
wherein the sleeve includes a tapered inner surface,

a handle shaft,

wherein the handle shaft includes a tapered outer surface,

a handle lever,

wherein the inner surface is operative to engage the outer surface to
prevent removal of the handle shaft through the door hole in a direction
away from the handle lever.

31. (currently amended) Apparatus comprising:

a door handle assembly, including:

a sleeve,

wherein the sleeve is attachable to a door adjacent a door hole,

wherein the sleeve includes a tapered inner surface,

a handle shaft,

wherein the handle shaft comprises an axis.

wherein the handle shaft includes a tapered outer surface,

a handle lever,

wherein the tapered inner surface is operative to engage the tapered outer surface to prevent removal of the handle shaft through the door hole in an axial direction away from the handle lever,

wherein the tapered outer surface when in engagement with the tapered inner surface narrows in the axial direction away from the handle lever.

wherein the sleeve tapered inner surface is operative to be substantially located on an opposite side of the door from the handle lever when in engagement with the handle shaft tapered outer surface.

wherein the sleeve includes at least one non tapered inner surface section extending in the axial direction.

wherein the handle shaft includes at least one non tapered outer surface section extending in the axial direction.

wherein the at least one handle shaft section is operative to engage the at least one sleeve section on an opposite side of the door from the handle lever to align the handle shaft relative to the door.

34. (currently amended) The apparatus according to claim 31 ~~wherein the handle shaft comprises an axis;~~

wherein the sleeve includes non tapered inner surface sections extending in the axial